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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application (the amendments made herein reference the verified translation of the application), please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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